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Attack on Army Bases
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has identified security breaches and failure in the wake of recent terror attacks on Army bases which have inflicted serious casualties and taken the lives of many soldiers;

(b) the steps taken to combat such gross violations of national security and counter the 'Fidayeen' style of attacks;

(c) whether the soldiers are adequately trained and equipped to counter such attacks and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government has considered the formulation of a national policy on domestic militancy and cross border terrorism, if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)
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(a) Post Pathankot terrorist attack, Government had constituted a Committee to review the security arrangement of various Defence installations in the country. Based on the recommendations of this Committee, broad guidelines for security of defence installations has been issued to Service Headquarters.

(b) The defence personnel have been sensitized on the prevailing security situation and necessity of maintaining high level of alertness. The response mechanism have been reviewed and streamlined. Measures like strengthening security fences, improvement in security lighting,

installation of intrusion alarm system with sensors and surveillance are other steps taken to counter such attacks. Further, intelligence infrastructure has been strengthened and re-organised for real time collation and sharing of intelligence.

(c) Up-gradation of capabilities and equipment is a continuous process. Soldiers are adequately trained and sufficiently equipped to counter such attacks. Pre Induction mission specific training including counter Fidayeen drills is imparted to soldiers before deployment in Counter Insurgency / Counter Terrorism operations. Further response mechanism to counter such attacks are well laid down.

(d) To meet the various internal security challenges, the Central Government and the State Governments are focusing on improving border management, strengthening intelligence collection and sharing, raising special forces, training and equipping the security forces with modern weapons and implementing area development programme etc.
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